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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Prayer was offered by Father Rick Walsh of the Paulist Center of Boston, Chaplain of the House, as follows:

God of Creation, God of All Living Things, we thank You today for the growth of plants throughout our Commonwealth and for the fertility of our land.

We ask for Your guidance as our House membership continues to craft legislation. May the work done today be for the benefit of the many persons who make Massachusetts their home.

Today we honor the town of Carlisle of Middlesex County and its 5,000 residents. Great Brook Farm State Park has been home to Holstein milking cows for over 60 years. The farm was the first to use a robotic milking system in Massachusetts. Carlisle holds the distinction of having the third highest household income per capita in the state behind Weston and Dover.

May God continue to bless our Commonwealth.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Prayer.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Appointments to Commissions.

The Speaker announced that he had made the following appointments to commissions:

That Ms. Ivy Ho of Lowell has been appointed to the Asian American Commission (under Section 68 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) to replace Ms. Lianna Kushi who will be resigning from the commission; and

That Ms. Christine Griffin of Groton and Dr. Elaine Kiriakopoulos of Winchester had been appointed to the special commission established (under Section 195 of Chapter 133 of the Acts of 2016) to study the practice by health insurers and pharmacy benefit managers of switching, for non-medical reasons, individuals with complex or chronic diseases from safe and effective prescription medications to other medications.

Asian American
Commission.

Medication
switching.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Cariddi of North Adams) congratulating Leslie Reed-Evans on the occasion of her retirement;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Crighton of Lynn) commending the National Brain

Leslie
Reed-Evans.

Brain Tumor
Awareness.

Tumor Society on its recognition of May 2017 as Brain Tumor Awareness Month;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Dykema of Holliston) congratulating Ifigenia Kanara on the completion of her tenure as the Consul General of Greece in Boston;

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Dwyer of Woburn and Kaufman of Lexington) congratulating Joseph L. Pecora on the occasion of his one hundredth birthday;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Goldstein-Rose of Amherst) congratulating Professor Jeffrey D. Blaustein on his retirement;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Kafka of Stoughton and other members of the House) celebrating North American Occupational Safety and Health Week and Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Mirra of West Newbury) congratulating Daniel Edward Cline on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Mirra of West Newbury) congratulating Nick Cline on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Mirra of West Newbury) congratulating Matthew Dzwil on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Mirra of West Newbury) congratulating Kyle Faddis on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Mirra of West Newbury) congratulating Nicholas Messina on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Mirra of West Newbury) congratulating Devlin W. Murray on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Mirra of West Newbury) congratulating Thomas Richards on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Pignatelli of Lenox, Kulik of Worthington, Cariddi of North Adams, Mark of Peru and Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield) congratulating George L. Darey on the occasion of his retirement;

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Ms. Barber of Somerville, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Ifigenia
Kanara.

Joseph
Pecora.

Jeffrey
Blaustein.

Occupational
safety.

Daniel
Cline.

Nick
Cline.

Matthew
Dzwil.

Kyle
Faddis.

Nicholas
Messina.

Devlin
Murray.

Thomas
Richards.

George
Darey.

Communications.

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From the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (see item 7061-9408 of Section 2 of Chapter 133 of the Acts of 2016 and Section 1J of Chapter 69 of the General Laws) submitting the Intervention and Targeted Assistance Report (2015-2016); and

From the Human Resources Department of the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (see Section 25 of Chapter 31 of the General Laws) submitting a listing of civil service fire and police chief series eligible lists that have been revoked by the Personnel Administrator as of March 1, 2017, and May 1, 2017;

Severally were placed on file.

Intervention and
targeted assistance.

Civil service
fire and police
chief lists.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3692) of Thomas M. Stanley and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) that the town of Lincoln be authorized to exchange certain parcels of conservation land. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Lincoln,—
land.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3693) of Thomas M. Stanley and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) that the town of Lincoln be authorized to establish property tax exemptions for certain affordable accessory apartments. To the committee on Revenue.

Lincoln,—
property tax
exemptions.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Messrs. Crighton of Lynn and Cahill of Lynn (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Amanda Ricko relative to housing services for chronically homeless individuals.

Chronically
homeless,—
housing.

By Mr. McKenna of Webster, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Joseph D. McKenna relative to the establishment of tax credits for the installation of home water filtration systems for certain homeowners.

Water
filtration,—
credits.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following House bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Lanesborough as the Sergeant Gregory Aloysius Noonan Bridge (House, No. 1809);

Lanesborough,—
Noonan bridge.

Establishing a recreation tax in the town of Charlemont (House, No. 2623) [Local Approval Received];

Charlemont,—
recreation tax.

Relative to exempted accommodations (House, No. 3303);

Accommodations.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Pamela Dube, an employee of the Department of Developmental Disabilities (House, No. 3651); and

Pamela Dube,—
sick leave.

Relative to the conveyance of a certain parcel of land by the town of Deerfield (printed in House, No. 3670);

Deerfield,—
land.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of Ms. Barber of Somerville, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Kocot of Northampton, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Resolve providing for the creation of a special commission relative to the seal and motto of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1707). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

State seal
and motto.

By Mr. Kocot of Northampton, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on House, No. 4 and on a part of House, No. 3, a Bill reconciling inconsistent statutory audit schedules (House, No. 4).

Audit
schedules.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 6 and on a part of House, No. 3, a Bill improving the internal controls within state agencies (House, No. 6).

State agencies,—
internal
controls.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 7 and on a part

State
auditing.

of House, No. 3, a Bill modernizing state auditing (House, No. 7).

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 13 and on a part of House, No. 11, a Bill relative to Chapter 30B (House, No. 13).

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 16 and on a part of House, No. 11, a Bill relative to Chapter 30B notification (House, No. 16).

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Kocot of Northampton, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on House, Nos. 1691 and 1692, a Bill declaring the third Saturday of the month of October as Massachusetts Minutemen and Militia Day (House, No. 1691, changed in line 6, by inserting after the word “all” the word “Massachusetts”).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating the month of June as seatbelt awareness month (House, No. 1716).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve relative to the commemoration of Governor James and General John Sullivan (House, No. 2676).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to recognition of the “Honor and Remember” flag in the Commonwealth (House, No. 2680).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating May as Asian American Pacific Islander month (House, No. 3360).

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Uniform
Procurement.

Procurement,—
notification.

Minutemen
and Militia
day.

Seatbelt
month.

Governor’s
Office,—
plaques.

Honor and
Remember
flag.

Asian American
Pacific Islander
month.

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gary Kellenberger, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (see Senate, No. 2043) having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 3 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Gary
Kellenberger,—
sick leave.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Ramona Foster, an employee of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (see Senate, No. 2054) having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Ramona
Foster,—
sick leave.

Bill
enacted.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gail Normandin, an employee of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (Senate, No. 2059) (which originated in the Senate), in respect to which the Senate had concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Orders of the Day.

House Bills

Authorizing the town of Boylston to continue the employment of police chief Anthony Sahagian (House, No. 1429); and

Establishing the department of inspectional services and permitting in the town of Lakeville (House, No. 2780);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Lowell to use land at 512 Clark Road and 512.1 Clark Road, which includes land extending into Tewksbury and is currently athletic fields and public space, and land at 438 Douglas Road and portions of 424 Douglas Road and 492 Douglas Road, which is currently a parking lot for Cawley Stadium, for the construction of a new public high school and school related purposes thereto (House, No. 3654, changed), was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Second
reading
bill.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At sixteen minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.